

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 23 and 24 are added.

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on January 8, 2007. It is requested that the Examiner consider the reference cited in that Information Disclosure Statement and return an initialed Form PTO-1449 to Applicant's representative.

Claims 1-21 (and assumingly claim 22) were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Shima, U.S. Patent No. 6,362,894 (Shima '894) in view of Shima, U.S. Patent No. 6,867,874 (Shima '874). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Shima '894 and Shima '874 fail to disclose or suggest a printing system or a computer accessible recording medium with a server that includes a data transmitting system and a printer that includes a location data requesting system, as recited in claims 1, 8, 18 and 19; a printer or a computer accessible recording medium with a location data requesting system, as recited in claims 15 and 20; or a server or a computer accessible recording medium with a data transmitting device, as recited in claims 16, 17 and 21.

Pages 4 and 13 of the Office Action appear to admit that Shima '894 fails to disclose requesting a list of location data as recited in the independent claims.

Shima '874 fails to overcome the deficiencies of Shima '894 because Shima '874 appears to suffer the same deficiencies as Shima '894. After receiving a URL, Shima '874's printer 1 sends a request message to the server 4 and receives a response message from the server 4 (Fig. 3 and col. 5, lines 2-9). After receiving the response message from the server 4, the printer 1 determines the structure of the resource based on the response message and thereafter generates and sends request messages requesting the transmission of data (col. 5, lines 9-22). Shima 874's printer 1 receives a URL from a URL designator 21 and thus does not transmit a request for a list of location data of print data and Shima 874's server 4 does

not transmit the list of location data of the print data in response to a request of the list of location data received from the printer 1. Sending pages to be printed, as in Shima '874, is not the same as transmitting a list of location data of print data, as recited in Applicant's independent claims. Although Shima '874 disclosing extracting a URL (col. 3, lines 15-19), Shima '874 is not requesting a list of location data of print data but is only extracting a URL that may be in the sent resource.

Page 13 of the Office Action responds to Applicant's argument by referring to Shima '874's col. 3, line 1 - col. 6, line 31. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner particularly point out where he believes that Shima '874 discloses a location data requesting system rather than simply referring to four columns of Shima '874.

Page 13 of the Office Action states that Shima '874 teaches that the printer makes a transfer request of a resource (document) to the web server and that the resource (document) contains a list of registered URLs. The only reference to obtaining a URL via the printer 1 that Applicant can find is that Shima '874 discloses extracting a URL that may be in a sent resource (col. 3, lines 15-19). However, as discussed above, Shima '874 is not requesting a list of location data of print data or requesting a list of URLs, but is only extracting a URL that may be in a sent resource. Shima '874 fails to provide any disclosure with regard to using the printer 1 to request a list of URLs from the server 4. In an attempt to further clarify Applicant's invention, Applicant further clarifies the list of location data in claims 22-24.

It is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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